

I am strongly opposed to the promulgation of broadband data transmission over powerlines and especially opposed to increasing power limits. As an extra-class licensed radio amateur (now KZ7N) who has been active for over 30 years, I am concerned that the promulgation of Broadband over Power Lines will result in the demise of the hobby, the end of our ability to provide a public service, as well as interference to other HF communications (e.g. homeland security, etc.). The cable television industry has demonstrated an inability to keep their transmissions from causing interference, and I believe the power industry (frequently using old transmission hardware) would have no better success. At HF frequencies, propagation effects will spread "leaky sources" around the world -- not just in the backyard of the offending source. I believe that there have been adequate demonstrations made that the contention of the power industry that there will not be an interference problem is a false one.

Thank you for your attention.